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Interview Summary

Person(s) Interviewed: Ron Curry, Regional Administrator, Region 6

Interviewers: Mary Kay Lynch (by phone), Allyn Stern (by phone)

Date: December 02, 2015

Time: 9:00 am – 10:00 am MST

Ron Curry was interviewed on December 02, 2015, as part of an EPA led After-Action review of the Agency's response to the release at Gold King Mine in Colorado on August 5, 2015.

Synopsis of interview

General Observations and Recommendations.

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Notification

- First learned of release by phone call from Joan Card on the evening of Thursday, August 6, 2015. He was told that Region 8 had contacted Sam Coleman and Carl Edlund earlier in the day.
- Ron contacted Ryan Flynn, New Mexico Environment Department Secretary that evening (Aug. 6). New Mexico had been notified first by Southern Ute tribe. Secretary Flynn still brings up late notification. (b) (5) DPP [REDACTED]

Emergency Operations Center/Incident Command/Unified Area Command Structure & Agency Coordination

- Ron went to Farmington with David Gray on August 11 through August 13-14. David Gray returned the week of the 15th to assist with the communication strategy.

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Public Information and Communications

- Ron spoke to Ryan Flynn every day throughout the weekend after the release occurred.